
Associated Students
The University of Montana

ASUM SENATE AGENDA
November 5, 2003 - 6:00 p.m.
UC332-333

1. CALL MEETING TO ORDER
2. ROLL CALL
3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES - October 29, 2003 - not posted as yet
The October 22, 2003, minutes should be amended as follows:
Item a. under the Vice President's Report states a committee as Greek Life. It should read University Committee on Fraternities and Sororities
4. PUBLIC COMMENT
5. PRESIDENT'S REPORT
 - a. Student Regent Position
 - b. Financial Aid Issues
 - c. Committee Appointments
 - d. Tribal Colleges and MAS Participation
 - e. Bi-Weekly Pay
 - f. KBGA Sign-up
 - g. Resolutions - Carol
 - h. Other
6. VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT - None
7. BUSINESS MANAGER'S REPORT

Special Allocation - \$13,000
Travel Special Allocation - \$12,160
STIP - \$106,895.36
Zero-Base Carryover - \$62,000+ (FY03 amounts not finalized) less \$478

 - a. SB25-03/04 - Amendment to Fiscal Policy - killed in committee
 - b. STIP Request - P.O.W.E.R.S Computer & Printer Request - \$738.98 /\$738.98
 - c. STIP Request - UM Forensics Team Computer Request - \$659.00 /\$659.00
 - d. Special Allocation - UM Philosophy Society = \$800.00 /\$800.00
 - e. Special Allocation - UM Big Sky Taekwondo (Travel) = \$1,201.00 /\$575.00
 - f. Special Allocation (Emergency Travel Fund) - Intervarsity Christian Fellowship = \$1,188.00 / \$0.00
 - g. Other
8. COMMITTEE REPORTS

9. UNFINISHED BUSINESS

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- a. SB18-03/04 Resolution to Amend By-Laws to Create ASUM Childcare Oversight Committee
- b. SB23-03/04 Resolution to amend ASUM Bylaws: Section 10 University Center Board
- c. SB24-03/04 Resolution Protecting Student Consumers from Fee Collection Abuse - Campus Finance Reform II
- d. SB26-03/04 Resolution supporting bi-weekly pay for student employees- Campus Finance Reform I
- e. SB27-03/04 Resolution On Behalf of Academic Freedom and Intellectual Diversity at The University of Montana
- f. SB28-03/04 Resolution Supporting Tribal College Student Government Representation within The Montana Associated Students (MAS)

10. NEW BUSINESS

11. COMMENTS

12. ADJOURNMENT

ASUM SENATE TALLY SHEET

DATE November 5, 2003

SENATE MEMBERSROLL
CALL

Comments

SOPHIA RENA ALVAREZ

Present 7:32

Y

ANDREW BISSELL

P

Y

TRAVIS COSSITT

P

Y

BRAD ENGBRETSON

Excused

—

KYLE ENGELSON

Excused

—

ANNA GREEN

P

Y

CHRIS HEALOW

P

Y

WILL HOLMES

P

Y

EMILY JONES

P

Y

STEPHEN KOCHER

Excused

—

ASHLEY OLIVER

Excused

—

KIMBERLY PAPPAS

P

Y

VINCENT PAVLISH

P

Y

SAGE RAFFERTY

P

Y

EBEN RECKORD

P

Y

PATRICK VAN ORDEN

P

Y

ROB WELSH

P

Y

DAN WINDMUELLER

P

Y

CHRISTIAN WINKLE

P

Y

NATHAN ZIEGLER

Excused

Y

ASUM OFFICERS

AARON FLINT

President

P

Y

GALE PRICE

Excused

—

Vice-President

AVERIEL WOLFF

P

Y

Business Manager

FACULTY ADVISORS

PROFESSOR ANDERSON

P

Y

PROFESSOR AUSLAND

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ASUM SENATE MINUTES
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Chair Flint (acting in Price's absence) called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. Present: Flint, Wolff, Bissell, Cossitt, Green, Healow, Holmes, Jones, Pappas, Pavlish, Rafferty, Reckord, Van Orden, Welsh, Windmueller, Winkle and Ziegler (7:52). Excused were Engebretson, Oliver and Price. Unexcused were Alvarez (7:32), Engelson and Kocher.

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Public Comment

- *Members of the Philosophy Society and Big Sky Taekwando explained their Special Allocation requests.
- *Several students appeared before Senate to thank them for their support of a change in the Regents Policy 940.24.
- *SPA Director Singer thanked Senators Pavlish and Healow for their phone-banking efforts (reaching more than 1,000 people each). Higher Education Act debates will be forthcoming, as well as a resolution on ASUM's stance.
- *MontPIRG Board Chair Thompson encouraged Senators to seek information on how the MontPIRG fee process works, the fact that it is a voluntary fee and can be refunded by request.

President's Report

- a. The student Regent position will be open next June. Applications will be available soon, and interviews should be taking place in early December. Three recommendations from each of the MUS schools will be forwarded to MAS by January 14, 2004. MAS's recommendations will be sent to the Governor for selection. The current student regent, Christian Hur, is on campus and may be reached for information. The ASUM Student Resolution Officer position will be advertised soon, also. Plans are to have the new hire work with Ryan for a short time for training.
- b. Flint has been talking with Mick Hanson and Frank Matule on financial aid, recruitment and retention issues. Better loan opportunities are needed. See Flint for details.
- c. The following committee removals passed on a motion by **Welsh-Healow**: SPA - Sage Rafferty; Diversity Advisory - Christy Schilke; Sports Union Executive Board - Tim Ehlert. The following committee appointments passed on a motion by **Winkle-Windmueller**: Student Health Advisory - Anna Green; ASUM Relations and Affairs - Katy Reddy, Chad Robertson, Chris Healow; Student Computer Fee - James Dolph; Traffic Appeals - Nate Ziegler; Campus Recreation - Tim Ehlert; GSA - Jin Zhou, David Gachigo; AADA Team - Darren Larson; SPA - Patrick Van Orden; IT - Devan Egan. Flint read a list of vacancies on committees.
- d. MAS represents MUS schools. Tribal colleges are outside the system and need representation to connect with issues and build bridges. A resolution has been submitted to address this.
- e. Bi-weekly pay will be discussed later when the resolution is addressed.
- f. Senator Rafferty will speak on the air with KBGA Thursday.

- g. Hayes reminded Senators of the resolution procedure.
- h. Flint is pursuing a meeting with the Governor and will invite her to speak to Senate. Senators were encouraged to lobby her by e-mail.
- i. Requests have been made to put tuition relief on the Board of Regents agenda for this meeting. The plan is to have MAS support and approach the issue as a body rather than from each individual school.
- j. ASUM's ad to appear in Wednesday's Kaimin was created and submitted in the proper form before the deadline, but it wasn't published. It seems to have disappeared. The problem needs to be resolved.
- k. State revenues are lower than expected due to the cost of the fires and lower corporate tax collections. Data should be available by November 15.
- l. Hayes noted that resolution numbering is incorrect. It will be resolved as they are considered.

Vice President's Report - None

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- a. SB25-03/04 Amendment to Fiscal Policy was killed in committee.
- b. Powers' STIP request for \$738.98 to purchase a computer and printer and recommended for same by Budget and Finance passed.
- c. Forensics STIP request for \$659 to purchase a computer was recommended for same by Budget and Finance passed.
- d. UM Big Sky Taekwondo's Special Allocation request for \$1,201 in travel money passed for \$575 as recommended by Budget and Finance.
- e. Intervarsity Christian Fellowship's Travel Special Allocation (emergency category) request for \$1,188 passed for \$0 as was recommended by Budget and Finance.
- f. Wolff read a thank-you note from Women's Center for ASUM's support of their weekend conference, which was very successful.
- g. As a member, Pavlish explained some of Budget and Finance's decisions.

Committee Reports

- a. ASUM Affairs (Winkle) - A Kaimin ad was created and sent within the timeline, but it did not run, as they said it wasn't received. Resolutions were held up in committee. They will meet next Monday at 6 p.m.
- b. Board on Membership (Pappas) - The following group was given ASUM recognition on a motion by **Pappas-Green**: UM Big Sky Taekwondo.
- c. Housing (Pappas) - A renter's roundtable will be held at COT East.
- d. SPA (Jones) - Housing Board will attend next Monday's 4 p.m. meeting.
- e. Transportation (Green) - They met with various Missoula community organizations and shared ideas.
- f. University Affairs (Holmes) - SB26 received a "do pass" recommendation.

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- g. ASCRC (Welsh) - SB19, which passed Senate last week, was submitted.
- h. Student Health Advisory (Green) - They talked about budget matters.

Unfinished Business

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Five-minute recess

(The gavel was passed to Wolff.)

The Chair recognized the presence of Alvarez.

- d. SB26-03/04 Resolution supporting Bi-Weekly Pay for Student Employees - Campus Reform I (Exhibit A). Friendly amendments by Pavlish (last paragraph: insert "And" at the beginning, capitalize "It Be Further Resolved," delete "s" from "encourages" and delete "to" before "student"; "Therefore" paragraph: capitalize "Let It Be Resolved"; insert "on a bi-weekly basis" between "employees" and "at" and delete "more than once a month" at the end of the sentence; delete "Co-" from "co-Sponsored") and Healow (delete "including" and substitute "and" in the sixth whereas) were accepted. After a previous question call by Holmes, the amended resolution passed.
- e. SB27-03/04 Resolution on behalf of Academic Freedom and Intellectual Diversity at The University of Montana - in committee.
- f. SB28-03/04 Resolution supporting Tribal College Student Government Representation within the Montana Associated Students (MAS) - in committee.

(The gavel was returned to Flint.)

The Chair recognized the presence of Ziegler.

New Business

- a. Resolution regarding the international student fee
- b. Resolution regarding financial aid
- c. Resolution on Regents Policy 940.24
- d. Resolution on Student Resolution Officer position
- e. Resolution to amend Bylaws

Comments

The meeting adjourned at 8:27 p.m.

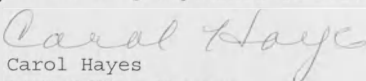

Carol Hayes
ASUM Office Manager

Exhibit A

SB26-03/04

Resolution supporting bi-weekly pay for student employees - Campus Finance Reform I

Whereas, there are roughly 1,500 student employees at The University of Montana,

Whereas, student employees at The University of Montana are only paid once a month,

Whereas, non-student employees at The University of Montana are paid twice a month,

Whereas, department directors and staff managers face a burdensome payroll system that needs to be modernized,

Whereas, increased payroll options and modernized methods have not been fully considered in previous studies looking at the costs associated with bi-weekly pay,

Whereas, online methods and direct deposit can be utilized to a greater extent,

Whereas, student employees at times can wait nearly two months for their first paycheck,

Whereas, student employees find it overburdensome to pay for school, books, food and shelter while waiting an entire month for pay,

Therefore Let It Be Resolved that The Associated Students of The University of Montana support efforts by students and administrators to modernize the student employee payroll system and enact a system that pays student employees on a bi-weekly basis at The University of Montana,

And Let It Be Further Resolved that The Associated Students of The University of Montana strongly encourage the administration to provide an updated report that addresses not only the costs of a bi-weekly payroll system, but also addresses updated modifications that can be made to the payroll system and benefits student employees.

Authored by: Aaron Flint, ASUM President

Sponsored by: Mark Zarr, UM Student Employee

Ali Tabibnejad, UM Student and Former ASUM Senator

Passed
11-5-03